

DOCKETING SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A docketing system for recording, tracking, and reporting deadlines associated with legal cases. The docketing system is useful for intellectual property practitioners, such as patent attorneys, who have to keep track of several deadlines related to intellectual property cases. According to an embodiment of the present invention, the docketing system keeps track of deadlines related to one or more cases handled by one or more practitioners. In response to events related to the cases which result in one or more deadlines, the present invention automatically generates messages notifying users of deadlines associated with the events. The docketing messages are then automatically communicated to appropriate recipients.

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